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UNDER SECRETARY OF COMMERCE FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND  
DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

November 18, 2004

NIXON PEABODY, LLP  
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Your refund request for 10603019 in the amount of \$8.00 has been denied .

I have recounted the claims and they are correct.

Also see paper enclosed, we made no charge to your account on October 29,2003

Sincerely,

ELEANOR KURTZ  
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